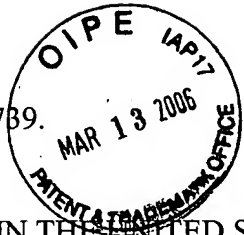


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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
LAURENT FROUIN, et al.) Examiner: Christopher P. Grey
Application No.: 10/055,939) Group Art Unit: 2667
Filed: January 28, 2002)
For: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR)
TRANSMISSION IN A)
SWITCH) March 7, 2006

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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for
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2006 to March 7, 2006.

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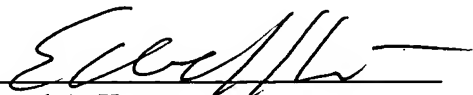
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Submitted herewith is a check for \$120.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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